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Notice of Meeting of the International Telecommunication Advisory

Committee and Preparations for Upcoming International Communications

and Information Policy Meetings

This notice announces a meeting of the Department of State's

International Telecommunication Advisory Committee (ITAC) to review the

activities of the Department of State in recent international meetings on

international communications and information policy and preview upcoming

similar activities. The ITAC will meet on January 21, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

EST at: 1300 I Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005. The ITAC will review

the results of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) 2015 Radio

Assembly and the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference and World

Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) +10 review.

The ITAC will also discuss the ITU World Telecommunication

Standardization Assembly 2016 (WTSA 16) taking place in the fourth

quarter of 2016, including positions on study program restructuring and

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leadership. The WTSA, the quadrennial assembly of the ITU

Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T), will consider the
reports of the ITU-T Study Groups, approve the sector's program of
work, decide the Study Group structure, and appoint chairmen and vicechairmen. At the ITAC meeting, we invite comment from the public on U.S.
priorities for WTSA 16.

The meeting will also highlight preparations for the ITU Council meeting taking place from 25 May to 2 June 2016 and related ITU Council Working Groups. The Council acts as the governing body between plenipotentiary conferences.

Attendance at this meeting is open to the public as seating capacity allows. The public will have an opportunity to provide comments at this meeting at the invitation of the chair. Further details on this ITAC meeting will be announced on the Department of State's email list, ITAC@Imlist.state.gov. Use of the ITAC list is limited to meeting announcements and confirmations, distribution of agendas and other relevant meeting documents. The Department welcomes any U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident to remain on or join the ITAC listserv by providing his or her name, email address, and the company, organization, or community that he or she is representing, if any.

Persons wishing to request reasonable accommodation for the meeting

should contact jacksonln@state.gov or gadsdensf@state.gov not later than

January 13, 2016. Requests made after that time will be considered, but

might not be able to be fulfilled.

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